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1. Each Kreis in the Russian Zone is represented at the SIA School at Königswusterhausen by one student. Would-be students have to fill out a questionnaire and sustain two examinations, the second before representatives of the SIA, SED, FDJ, and the state government. Male applicants are questioned on their war record and those who have been in English or American captivity are rejected.
2. The head of the school is Lt. Col. (or Major?) Martens. Other members of the faculty are Major Novyaiko, Captain Rukey, Major Semenov, Major Patent, Major Lesov, and Captain Seseov. Guest lecturers have included Dr. Wilhelm Kulz of the LDP, Otto Grotewohl, Max Fechner, Fritz Oelssner, Paul Wandel, and Alfred Lemnitz of the SED, and Prof. Dr. Tiburtius, Dr. Friedensburg, Otto Nitake (presumably Nuschke), and Prof. Dr. Alfred Meusel of the CDU.
3. The faculty endeavors to win converts to communism. Several students at the first two courses, who had attended as members of the FDJ, joined the SED after completing the course. The instructors attempt to prevail upon the non-SED students by force of logic without resorting to bombastic propaganda. The non-SED students are given preferential treatment in the seminars. If an SED member attempts to join the discussion, he is usually silenced by the instructor with a gesture or with the remark, "We know your opinion already". The students are given theater tickets for their week-ends in Berlin, they are allowed to travel freely, and their mail is not censored. They receive excellent food, compensation for their time, and 120 RM per month in pocket money. As a result of this treatment and in response to the rather high intellectual level of instruction, several students from the bourgeois parties have announced their intention of joining the SED upon completion of the course. It has been hinted that all graduates are to be assigned positions in the "Society for the Study of the Culture of the USSR". The higher positions are reserved for graduates who belong to the SED and FDJ.

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